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Dear Paul:

Thank you for your memorandum of 24 June 1988, concerning a possible legislative response to the Supreme Court's decision in Webster v. Doe.

As you know, Doe has been remanded for further proceedings. I do not believe the time would be ripe for seeking legislative relief while this process is ongoing. Further, I might note that any such relief would have to be carefully drawn, given a court's jurisdiction to entertain constitutional claims might themselves be suspect. Therefore, after considering the possibility of legislation, we do not think it desirable to seek legislative relief via floor amendment to the Senate version of the Fiscal Year 1989 Intelligence Authorization bill.

If and when it comes to the point that legislative relief is desirable, we will take the steps necessary to draft such relief and put it forward. We will keep you advised.

Again, thank you for your concern.

Sincerely,

Russell J. Bruemmer

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